probably this tender itself was given by them because they knew that there was no tender for more than Rs. 16,000. Therefore you cannot always go by the figures alone. So many things happen. It is always the duty of the department to see that the largest amount possible is received by the Department. We should not begin to suspect because so and so were not given information they did not offer more and all that.

Mr. M. V. Cherian (*Mattancheri South*).—They would have offered Rs. 16,500. Yeu gave information only to a particular man. In the interests of the department also these should have been informed of the tender amount of Mr. Kannu Pillai.

Mr. President.—These people have to be taught by the Government in some cases. It is for that this was done.

Mr. M. V. Cherian (*Mattancheri South*).—If there was a notification inviting tenders we could have received Rs. 18,000.

Dr. A. R. Menon (*Pallippuram*).—Is there not a provision for calling for sealed tenders?

Mr. President.—Even if that is done, there will be these combinations. And to beat such combinations, Circle Inspectors go about and persuade the people.

Mr. P. J. George (*Joint Secretary to Government*).—When we approached these people they refused to revise their offer and I asked my Sub-Inspector to approach some other person.

Mr. M. V. Cherian (*Mattancheri South*).—It would have been proper to have instructed your sub inspector to go to other persons, not only Mr. Kannu Pillai. My only point is that if sealed tenders had been invited by a notification Government would have got a bigger amount and there would have been no such complaints as this.

Mr. P. J. George (*Joint Secretary to Government*).—These old shop keepers even then would dupe the Government by trying to get the contract at a lower rate by combinations.

Supplementary Demands—1112.

275. **Mr. A. Eachara Menon** (*Chittur Rural*).—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

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(1) what the total amount is that has been sanctioned under supplementary demands after the last Budget;

(2) Of this, how much by way of transfer?

Mr. P. V. Subramania Ayyar *(Comptroller of Accounts).*—

(1) Additional allotment voted by the Council	Rs. 1,12,428— 3—0
Do sanctioned under Section 16 (9)	Rs. 30,279— 0—0
Additional allotment under Non-votable heads	Rs. 2,26,091— 8—9
Total	3,68,798—11—9

(2) Transfer from one head to another. Sanctioned under Section 16 (9)	Rs.	1,480—0—0
Do voted by Council	Rs.	2,970—0—0
Total		4,450—0—0

Mr. A. Eachara Menon *(Chittur Rural).*—While the Government was telling us that there were no funds for some useful works, may I know how this one lakh and odd rupees came to be spent?

Mr. P. V. Subramania Ayyar *(Comptroller of Accounts).*—That was voted by the Council.

Government deposits—banks for.

276. **Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar** *(Nellayi).*—Will the Government be pleased to state the names of banks in which Government money is deposited and the amounts deposited in each bank?

Mr. P. V. Subramania Ayyar *(Comptroller of Accounts).*—Central Bank of India, Ltd. Rs. 48,22,510.

Indian Bank, Ltd. Rs. 10,53,450.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar *(Nellayi).*—Is it in fixed deposits in these banks?

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